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TO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: ENRG, MNUC, PARM, BR

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT BY AMBASSADOR SMITH

REF: A) BRASILIA 3441, B) KELLEY-GOECKERMANN
-- TELECON OF 4/28/78

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO INFORM APPROPRIATE BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS THAT US WOULD LIKE TO DEFER THE VISIT TO BRAZIL BY AMBASSADOR SMITH UNTIL APPROXIMATELY THE PERIOD BEGINNING AFTER JUNE 10. A SCHEDULE CONFLICT HAS ARISEN SINCE WE INITIALLY PROPOSED DATES FOR A SMITH VISIT AND THIS CONFLICT PRECLUDES A VISIT MAY 15-16 (THE DATE REMAINING UNDER CONSIDERATION IN BRASILIA) OR ANOTHER PERIOD IN MAY. WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO PROPOSE NEW DATES IN THE POST-JUNE 10 PERIOD FOR CONSIDERATION BY BRAZILIANS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE REGRET THAT THIS DEFERRAL IS NECESSARY AND CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S SUGGESTION THAT AMBASSADOR SMITH DISCUSS THE NEW NONPROLIFERATION LEGISLATION WILL BE USEFUL.

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2. FYI: THE DEFERRAL OF THE SMITH VISIT IS BASED SOLELY ON A SCHEDULING CONFLICT AND REFLECTS NO DISSATISFACTION WITH THE DELAY IN BRAZIL'S RESPONSE TO OUR PROPOSED DATES OR ANY CHANGE IN POLICY OR ATMOSPHERE FROM THE US SIDE.
END FYI.
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